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## DOR Regional Offices Extend Office Hours on April 17

ATLANTA – The Georgia Department of Revenue's regional offices located outside metro Atlanta will remain open until 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 17 to accept state personal income tax returns from last-minute filers.

"We initiated this service last year and it was popular with taxpayers so we are doing it again this year," said Revenue Commissioner Bart L. Graham. "The additional time allows taxpayers who work or have responsibilities that preclude them from getting to the office during normal office hours to receive last minute assistance from our personnel and ensure their state return gets filed on time."

The Revenue Offices in Albany, Athens, Augusta, Columbus, Douglas, Macon, Rome, and Savannah will offer the extended hours.

Personnel at each office will accept a taxpayer's state return, accept payments, assist in requesting an extension, and answer tax-related questions. The personnel will not prepare returns after regular business hours.

"Personnel in the regional offices are not authorized to accept a taxpayer's federal return because we have no way of getting the returns postmarked by the midnight cutoff time," explained Commissioner Graham. "Our personnel can only assist with state related issues."

Lithia Springs, South Metro and Northeast Metro Regional Offices will not be open for the extended hours. They will close at their regular time of 4:45 p.m.

This year, taxpayers have until April 17 to file and pay, because the normal filing deadline day of April 15 falls on Saturday.

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